GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:516
ANSWERED ON:30.04.2002
RURAL BUILDING CENTRES
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the scheme of Rural Building Centres has been implemented all over the country;

(b) if so, the number of such centres constructed by HUDCO till March 2002, State-wise;

(c) the extent to which these Rural Building Centres have been helpful in transferring technology and providing training to artisans; and

(d) the details of requests received/pending with the Union Government for setting up of such Centres in rural areas of the country, as on date?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU)

(a) to (d) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House

STATEMENT AS REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.516 TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.04.2002

The Scheme of Rural Building Centres is being implemented in different parts of the country by the Ministry of Rural Development with the assistance of the Housing and Urban Development Corporation (HUDCO).

2. The primary objectives of setting up of Rural Building Centres are : (a) technology transfer and information dissemination, (b) skill upgradation through training and (c) production of cost effective and environment friendly materials/components. The Rural Building Centres have been instrumental in transfer of technology from `lab to land`, production of cost effective building materials for sale and providing training to the artisans.

3. Two hundred and eight project proposals for setting up of Rural Building Centres were received till 31st March,2002,of which 117 are presently being processed. Fifty six Rural Building Centres (State-wise details annexed) weresanctioned (till March, 2002) while the remaining (35) have not been approved.

ANNEXURE AS REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.516 TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.04.2002

Sl.No.	Name of the State/UTs	No. of RBC Sanctioned
1.	Andhra Pradesh	6
2.	Assam	1
3	Bihar	3
4	Goa	1
5	Gujarat	17
6	Haryana	1
7	Himachal Pradesh	4
8	Jammu & Kashmir	2
9	Karnataka	5
10	Kerala	1
11	Madhya Pradesh	4
12	Maharashtra	2
13	Orissa	5
14	Rajasthan	1
15	Tamil Nadu	2
16	Uttar Pradesh	1

Total	56